(*ii*) Statement of earnings on the S. I. R.. for every 10 days.

(*iii*) Audited return of traffic on the S. I. R. for every month.

RECORDS OF HISTORICAL VALUE--PRESERVATION OF.

122. Mr. Shabdai S. Koder (*Jews*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether steps are now taken to separate records of historical value from the other documents in the Huzur Secretariat as promised by the Secretary to the Government in the last session of the Council?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): No.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder (*Jews*): May I know the reason?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): We formulated a scheme for this purpose and the scheme consisted of the entertainment of a temporary establishment for a period of three years, the approximate cost every year being about Rs. 2,800. It was on account of the non-availability of funds for the time being that the question has been allowed to wait. The idea has not been dropped. Only want of funds prevents the taking of it as early as possible.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty (*Ezhuvas-Trichur*): May I know whether there are research students in our College?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): No historical research students.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder (*Jews*): Are there any scholars who do honorary work?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): In the College?

Mr Shabdai S. Koder (*Jews*): To help the Government to separate historical records.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): We have not got as hon'ble members are obviously aware. We cannot keep a staff of such scholars as researchers. We have certain official bodies which take up the publication, at their own cost. The Malayalam Improvement Committee is one, the Grandha Library of His Highness the Maharaja is another.

Mr. President: If these research scholars are prepared to help the Government in classifying and cataloguing the

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records of historical value of the Central Records then Government will be glad to avail themselves of such services.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder (*Jews*): Many have come.

Mr. President: I hope the member will give us some such names.

SUPERINTENDENT, GOVERNMENT PRESS — HIS QUALIFICATIONS, ETC.

123. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) who is the present Superintendent of Government Press;

(*b*) what are his qualifications and whether he had any previous appointments in the State?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Mr. C. Subramania Pillai.

(*b*) He has 5 years' experience in printing, including 3 years' general training in the Government Press, Madras and at the Government School of Technology, Madras. He has also passed the following examinations in printing at the Madras Government Technical Examinations—

(*i*) Composing and (*ii*) Proof Reading	}	Government of Madras Technical Examination.
(*iii*) Machine and (*iv*) Press work	}	Government School of Technology, Madras,

He had no previous appointments in this State.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): Is he a Cochinite?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): He is a Travancorean.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): Was the appointment made by the Staff Selection Board?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): No.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): Does not this particular post fall within the category within which the Staff Selection Board operates?

Mr. President: I think I might explain the circumstances under which he came to be entertained in the service. As a

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